

PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Takeo SEINO

Appln. No.: 09/896,116

Confirmation No.: 5085

Filed: July 02, 2001

Docket No: Q65302

Group Art Unit: 2853

Examiner: Charles W. Stewart, Jr.

For: MAINTENANCE CARTRIDGE AND INK JET RECORDING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 27, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please enter the following amended portions of the specification:

**Page 8, second full paragraph**

Incidentally, when another ink cartridge is replaced with a new one during the maintenance cartridge is mounted therein, it is preferable that a negative pressure to be applied to the recording head A to thereby fill ink into the recording head A is decreased and/or that the time period, during which the negative pressure is applied to the recording head A is shortened.

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## EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

		Highest No.					
	After Amendment	Previously Paid For					
All Claims	32	-	24	=	8	X	\$18.00 = \$144.00
Independent	6	-	5	=	1	X	\$84.00 = \$84.00
					TOTAL		<u>\$228.00</u>

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$228.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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